



CANCER BURDEN

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,334,100 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 4,600 in Montana.
- 556,500 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 1,900 in Montana.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths per 100,000 persons²

Montana: 194.6 **National:** 202.3

Montana ranks 35th highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

LUNG CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 600 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Montana.
- 500 men and women will die of lung cancer in Montana.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Montana	National
Overall	53.0	56.8
White	52.0	56.7
Black	-	66.4
Hispanic	-	25.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	28.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	94.5	37.2

BREAST CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 600 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in Montana.
- 100 women will die of breast cancer in Montana.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Montana	National
Overall	24.9	27.7
White	24.8	27.2
Black	-	35.9
Hispanic	-	17.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	12.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	25.5	14.9

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 500 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Montana.
- 200 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in Montana.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Montana	National
Overall	19.4	21.2
White	19.4	20.7
Black	-	28.5
Hispanic	-	14.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.1
American Indian/Alaska Native	23.8	14.7

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 800 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in Montana.
- 100 men will die of prostate cancer in Montana.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	Montana	National
Overall	34.8	32.9
White	34.8	30.2
Black	-	73.0
Hispanic	-	24.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.9
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	21.9

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2003. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2003. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. Montana death totals were rounded to nearest 100.

² Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1996–2000. Death rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

³ Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.